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REMARKS

Election/Restriction

This Response to Restriction Requirement is being filed in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed June 27, 2007 in which the Examiner required restriction of the claims under 35 USC § 121 to the following two groups:

- I. Claims 1-21 and 24, drawn to a cutting tool, classified in class 30, subclass 314.
- II. Claims 22 and 23, drawn to a method of cutting line, classified in class 83, subclass 13.

Assignee hereby elects without traverse to prosecute Group I, claims 1-21 and 24. Claims 22 and 23 are withdrawn herein. Assignee hereby reserves the right under 39 USC § 121 to present claims 22 and 23 and/or any other claims directed to Groups I and II in a divisional application.

Election of Species

Applicant hereby elects one species from each of the Groups A, B, C, and D, as required under 35 U.S.C. 121. ***The applicant hereby elects the species A1, B2, C3, and D4.***

Species A1 is associated with claims 2 and 23.

Species B2 is associated with claims 4, 7, and 10.

Species C3 is associated with claim 14.

Species D4 is associated with claim 19.

Claim 1 is generic to Groups A, B, C, and D and their associated Species.

In summary, the applicant elects without traverse to prosecute claims 1, 2, 4, 7, 10, 11, 14, 19, and 24

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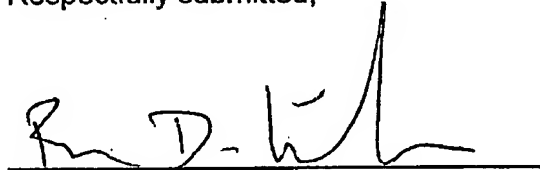
CONCLUSION

If the Examiner believes that there are any unresolved issues requiring adverse action in any of the claims now pending in the application, it is requested that the Examiner telephone Brian D. Wichner at (503) 439-6500 so that appropriate arrangements can be made for resolving such issues as expeditiously as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

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